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**BRANCACCIO** et al

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Date: March 10, 2006

OTEIN, AS A DRUG TARGET FOR

PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF HEART FAILURE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

### RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.

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Applicant claims "small entity" status.

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

March 10, 2006

### **Mail Stop Amendment**

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the pending Office Action mailed January 11, 2006, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested.

The claims are presented on pages 2-6.

Claims 1, 4-5, 12-16, 18-19, 23, 27-29 and 32-38 are amended.

Remarks begin on page 7.